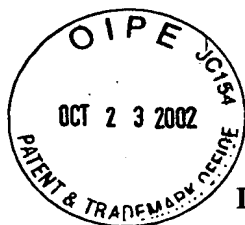


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In accordance with 37 CFR. §1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the Applicants wish to bring the reference materials listed in the attached Form PTO-1449 to the attention of the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office. These references were cited in the Combined Search and Examination Report of the corresponding Great Britain application. A copy of the references are enclosed with the PTO-1449 form for the Examiner's convenience.

I, the person(s) signing below, certify that each item of information listed in the attached PTO-1449 Form was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the statement, in accordance with 37 CFR §1.97(e)(1).

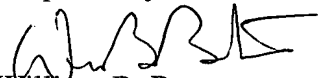
No representation is made or intended that a complete and exhaustive prior art search has been made, or that no better references than those set forth below are available. Furthermore, this Statement does not constitute an admission that these references are properly citable against the present application as prior art.

It is respectfully requested that these references be considered by the Examiner and formally made of record in this case.

Applicants also wish to bring the Examiner's attention to U.S. Publication No. US2002/0112852 A1, which published on August 22, 2002. While this publication is not prior art with respect to the current application, it has a U.S. filing date earlier than the filing date of the current application.

Applicant believes that no fees are due. However, in the event that a fee or credit is owed or due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge or credit any deficiency/over-payment to Deposit Account No. 19-0615. Two copies of this paper are attached.

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